

## SUBSTITUTE ABSTRACT

An insect trap specially intended for catching and/or rendering harmless flying insects and/or harmful insects has in a first embodiment a planar or curved light surface and at least one dark contrast spot located within this surface. In a second embodiment the trap has a diffuser surface for producing a weak air current that is emitted from this surface. Both embodiments can be combined as required to increase the effectiveness of the trap. The insect trap is further provided with devices for keeping, catching and/or eliminating trapped insects on a surface of the trap and/or in a cavity therein. Insect traps of the above mentioned type are used in pest control indoors and outdoors and for detecting or monitoring insect density.